

Settaya town is located at about 3km to the south from the center of the city. More than six factories of the brewing business for soy sauce and Japanese Sake have been prosperous during several hundred years.

Famous sake brewery "Yoshinogawa" is here, and other famous old brand "Kina-Saffrom liqueur" is located on the oblique opposite. Saffrom liqueur is an alcoholic drink with medical properties. It is said that the saffron liquor had halved popularity with being sold for healthy liqueur, "Yomeishu", keeping still the attractive brand in Japan.

Shopping street and "Gangi"

It is characteristic that all storefronts of the shopkeeper-houses are faced to shopping streets of the town, and common roofs "Gangi" are built among a lot of houses.

They are devised to live in long winter season with heavy snow fall. There are about 300 meters "Ganki" street from the crossing in front of the station to the next brock crossing near the Settaya-brewering industry zone.

Takekoma Inari Jinjya

Inari Jinjya is a tutelary shrine guarding the local people. It is admired as the gods of harvest and industry.

A pair of foxes, thought as messengers of the gods, stands at the gate of Inari Jinjyas.

Fulfilled Location conditions for the industry

First, a plentiful water suitable for the brewring industry. Secondly, loose commerce regulations easy to do business. Thirdly, rivers and roads utilized for transportation.

Jizo-Bosatsu

Initially this guardian deity of children (in Japanese, Jizo-Bosatsu) generally took form of ascetic (self-disciplined) practices monks, but it became an image of a child before long. Then it finally becomes the guardian deity of children that has been loved as not only children but also all the peoples bothered with various suffering. They usually stand on waysides or branch points of village entrances or mountain paths.